

About the Norwalk Symphony Orchestra (Not) Just for Kids Program

Norwalk Symphony Orchestra's (Not) Just for Kids program will host six weekends of presentations in 2023-2024. The theme and content of each program are tied to the upcoming symphony concert. The various orchestral instrument families are featured along with several special additions!

Locations

Fridays
Norwalk City Hall, 4:45pm
Mary McCarthy Room

Saturdays
Norwalk Public Library, 11:00am
(Belden Avenue Branch)
New Canaan Library, 1:00pm
Wilton Library, 3:00pm

Programming

Elements of the presentations follow a similar format:

- Musicians present their instruments, play musical excerpts (both solo and as a group) and tell a bit about how they became involved in music with the instruments they play
- Elements of pitch, rhythm, and tempo in performance are identified and demonstrated
- A moderator provides STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) related history, musical vocabulary and math concepts through music
- Question and Answer period (also encouraged throughout the presentation)
- Petting Zoo – students have an opportunity to try various instruments one-on-one with the musicians
- Interactive materials and take-away handouts are provided to support the concepts presented

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An exciting, educational and incredibly fun way
to introduce children to music.

2023-2024 Season



American Rhythms!

- Percussion -

September 8th and 9th, 2023

Hear the beat of the Percussionists as they explore American music through the years and learn about the global origins of our modern-day percussion instruments. How do Jazz beats differ from traditional orchestral music, or ballet, hip hop, other? Everyone will have a chance to add their own energy to the presentation with our Percussion Petting Zoo and create your own unique rhythm to share!



Vienna Comes to Norwalk

- Strings -

October 27th and 28th, 2023

Our String Quartet (Violins, Viola and Cello) are featured for this presentation. We will explore the music of Vienna where waltzes abound along with romantic era music, and we will hear this music while enjoying the sounds of the orchestra's string section. Bring your waltzing shoes! Try creating your own string sounds with our String Petting Zoo.



It's the Holidays!

- Brass -

December 1st and 2nd, 2023

We have so much to celebrate! Hannukah, Christmas, Kwanzaa and other holidays all bring a festive vibe to the season, and there is plenty of music to celebrate in style. Our Brass Quintet (Trumpets, Trombone, Horn and Tuba) will ring in the season with some uplifting sounds for the holidays.

Broadway Lights!

- Triple Threat -

February 2nd and 3rd, 2024

Members of our cast for The Music Man – Concert Version, will present this singing, acting and dancing workshop and you will be the star! Hear how the music comes to life through the blending of all these elements. Enjoy song favorites such as *Seventy-Six Trombones*, *Pickalittle (Talk-a-Little)*, and more!

SHAKESPEARE AT THE SYMPHONY

March 15th and 16th, 2024

William Shakespeare wrote 39 plays, and composers have been musically interpreting them for centuries. We are pleased to collaborate with Shakespeare on the Sound actors to bring Romeo and Juliet to life in this special "R&J4evr" (Not) Just for Kids presentation. Mr. Shakespeare may also join us!

A Unique Group of Friends!

- Woodwinds -

May 10th and 11th, 2024

Instruments in a Woodwind Quintet (Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon and Horn) each have a distinct shape, are made of different materials, and employ different techniques to play. Come find out why that makes them sound so great together despite their diverse tonal palettes!

For more information
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